

Remarks

The present response is being filed in response to the Official Action mailed on January 9, 2006. The Official Action required Applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution from the following species:

First Group of Species

Specie A: an electronic casing with an indenture comprising a ledge (Figs. 13A-13C and 14).

Specie B: an electronic casing with a protrusion (Fig. 15).

Specie C: an electronic casing with a strap (Fig. 16).

Specie D: an electronic casing with an embedded element or an indenture that is elliptical or semi-circular (Fig. 17).

Second Group of Species

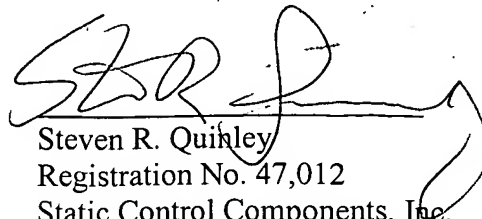
Specie E: an electronic circuit that comprises electrical contacts adapted to communicate between the printer and the printer cartridge (claim 36).

Specie F: an electronic circuit that comprises a wireless interface adapted to communicate between the printer and the printer cartridge (claim 37).

Consonant with this requirement, applicant elects Species A. Claims 1-3, 5, 7, 8, 10-13, 16, 27-29, 31, 33, 34 and 38-40 are believed to be readable thereon.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned if she has any questions or suggestions regarding this election or the selection of the claims. The Examiner is also thanked for the courtesy of a telephone conversation on February 7, 2006 during which the practice of claim election was briefly discussed.

Respectfully submitted,



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